

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY  
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #86B-8 Building Date: ca. 1861-78  
Building Name: The Waring House (R. Hyde House)  
Location: 16400 River Airport Road, Nottingham

Private/Residence/Occupied/Good/Inaccessible

Description

The Waring House (R. Hyde House) is a two-story frame, gable roof structure with an "L" shaped plan, facing River Airport Road to its south. It is set back from the road on an unpaved drive. The three-bay south (front) facade has a central entrance, through a four-panel door in a projecting semi-octagonal bay. The first and third bays are 2/2 windows. The four-bay screened entrance porch continues across the east facade in an "L" shape. It has chamfered square posts with arched, jig-sawn brackets supporting a wide frieze and overhanging eaves. The second floor has 2/2 windows with narrow wood surrounds. The building has a narrow cornice with wide overhanging eaves and a wide plain frieze. The central cross gable has cornice returns and a centered circular window with trefoil tracery. The wall covering is asbestos shingle, painted white. The roof is asphalt shingle. The house rests on brick piers with cement block infill. The three bay east facade has entrance through a projecting bay identical to that on the front facade. The north (rear) facade has a two-story, two-by-two-bay gable wing perpendicular to the main structure, forming an "L". There is a corbelled brick interior chimney west of center on the north slope of the roof of the main structure, a plain brick chimney at the center of the wing at the gable ridge. A hipped roof one-story addition fills in the ell. There is a small gable roofed frame barn and two frame sheds to the north of the house and a large frame, gable roofed barn on cement piers west of the house. In the front is a line of three old cedar trees.

Significance

The Waring House (R. Hyde House) is significant for retaining the prominent features of the "L" plan vernacular style, and its association with the John H. Waring family. The house is typical of farmhouses built in the County in the mid-to-late nineteenth century. The house has distinctive details, including entrances through projecting, semi-octagonal bays, a circular window with trefoil tracery in the front cross-gable, and prominent cornice returns. The house was built on a part of the Colonel John Henry Waring property, called Bald Eagle. Waring was a pro-Confederate planter owning real estate valued at \$50,000 in 1860. The Waring House was not the mansion house and does not appear on the 1861 Martenet Map of the County; it is on the 1878 Hopkins Atlas. The house was probably built as a tenant house. The property did not leave the Waring family until 1900. The house has remained in the ownership of descendants of William E. Seger, who acquired the Waring property in 1900.

Acreage: 39 acres

# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic The Waring House (R. Hyde House)

and/or common The Waring House

### 2. Location

street & number 16400 River Airport Road    not for publication

city, town Brandywine Nottingham    vicinity of congressional district 4

state MD county Prince George

### 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<u>  </u> district	<u>  </u> public	<u>  X</u> occupied	<u>  </u> agriculture
<u>  X</u> building(s)	<u>  X</u> private	<u>  </u> unoccupied	<u>  </u> commercial
<u>  </u> structure	<u>  </u> both	<u>  </u> work in progress	<u>  </u> educational
<u>  </u> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<u>  </u> entertainment
<u>  </u> object	<u>  </u> in process	<u>  </u> yes: restricted	<u>  </u> government
	<u>  </u> being considered	<u>  </u> yes: unrestricted	<u>  </u> industrial
	<u>  X</u> not applicable	<u>  X</u> no	<u>  </u> military
			<u>  </u> museum
			<u>  </u> park
			<u>  X</u> private residence
			<u>  </u> religious
			<u>  </u> scientific
			<u>  </u> transportation
			<u>  </u> other:

### 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mr. Clyde E. Watson

street & number 17608 Croom road telephone no.:

city, town Brandywine state and zip code MD 20613

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 5916

street & number Main Street folio 677

city, town Upper Marlboro state MD

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Historic Sites and Districts Plan

date July 1981    federal    state   X county    local

repository for survey records History Division M-NCPPC

city, town Riverdale state MD

## 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved      date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Waring House (R. Hyde House) is a two-story frame, gable roof structure with an "L" shaped plan, facing River Airport Road, to its south. It is set back from the road on an unpaved drive, with fields to the south and a wooded area to the north of the house.

The three-bay south (front) facade has a central entrance, composed of a four-panel door in a projecting semi-octagonal bay with 1/1 double hung sash windows facing east and west. The first and third bays are composed of 2/2 windows. There is a four-bay screened entrance porch which continues across the east facade, in an "L" shape. The porch has a wood floor on a cement base. It has chamfered square posts with arched, jig-sawn brackets supporting a wide frieze and overhanging eaves. The second floor has two 2/2 windows with narrow surrounds and narrow wood sills. The building has a narrow cornice with wide overhanging eaves and a wide plain frieze. There is a central cross gable with cornice returns and a centered circular window with trefoil tracery and a wide wood surround. The wall covering is asbestos shingle, wood grained and painted white. The roof is asphalt shingle. The house rests on brick piers, the spaces between the piers filled in with cement block.

The east facade has the screened porch across the three-bay facade. The first bay, under a gable end, is composed of a 2/2 window on the second floor and an entrance on the first. Entrance is through a projecting bay identical to that on the front facade.

The north (rear) facade has a two-story, two-by-two-bay gable wing perpendicular to the main structure, forming an ell. The wing appears contemporary with the main block. There is a corbelled brick interior chimney to the west of center, on the north slope of the roof of the main structure. There is a plain brick interior chimney at the center of the "L" wing at the gable ridge. There is a hipped roof one-story addition filling in the "L".

The three-bay west facade has three bays, two on the north wing and one on the west facing gable end. The bays have 2/2 windows on first and second stories. The one-story infill addition has a four-panel west side door and a large 2/2 window.

There is a small gable roofed frame barn and two frame sheds to the north of the house. There is a large frame, gable roofed barn on cement piers to the west of the house. Directly in front of the house is a line of three old cedar trees.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) local history

Specific dates ca. 1861-78

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Waring House (R. Hyde House) is a handsome mid-nineteenth century dwelling, significant for its vernacular style, and its association with the John H. Waring family.

The house is typical of vernacular farmhouses built in Prince George's County in the mid-to-late nineteenth century. The characteristics it shares with farmhouses built in this period include its central pedimented cross-gable on the entrance facade, its "L" shaped plan and facade-long entrance porch with decorative posts and brackets. The Waring House has some distinctive details, including a front and side entrance through projecting, semi-octagonal bays and a circular window with trefoil tracery in the front cross-gable, and its returned cornices.

The Waring House was built on a part of the Colonel John Henry Waring property, called Bald Eagle.<sup>1</sup> Waring was a wealthy pro-Confederate planter owning real estate valued at \$50,000 in 1860. His property was confiscated by the U.S. Government during the Civil War and Waring was imprisoned. His real estate was returned to him after the war, but not his considerable personal property.<sup>2</sup> The Waring House was not the mansion house and does not appear on the 1861 Martenet Map of Prince George's County; it does on the 1878 Hopkins Atlas. As the property did not leave the Waring family until 1900<sup>3</sup>, the house was probably built as a tenant house or for one of the Waring children. The house has remained in the ownership of descendants of William E. Seger, who acquired 45 acres of the Waring property in 1900.<sup>4</sup>

### Notes

<sup>1</sup> Land Records of Prince George's County, JB 11:558, 1900.

<sup>2</sup> Across the Years in Prince George's County, Effie Gwynn Bowie, Genealogical Publishing Company, Inc., Baltimore, 1975, pg. 613.

<sup>3</sup> Land Records of Prince George's County, JB 11:558, 1900.

<sup>4</sup> Ibid. 5916:677, 1984.

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P.A. # 86B-8

NOMINATION FORM  
for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: R. HYDE HOUSE				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER: Airport Road and Rt. 382 (Northeast quadrant)				
CITY OR TOWN: Croom				
STATE: Maryland			COUNTY: Prince George's	
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work In progress
PUBLIC ACQUISITION: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered				
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment		<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum		<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific
		<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME: Ida A. Watson				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Prince George's County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro			STATE: Maryland	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY: NONE				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	

## 7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The house is a two-story, frame structure with a five bay main (south) facade. The central doorway with transom and side lights is flanked by narrow windows; the outside windows are of average size for the period. There is a central gable with a round window. To the north is a two-story ell.

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# 8. SIGNIFICANCE

## PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |                                       |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century            | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century  | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century |                                       |

## SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |   |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal     | <input type="checkbox"/> Education              | <input type="checkbox"/> Political           | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric    | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering            | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic       | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> Science             | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture    | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture           | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture   | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art            | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater             | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce       | <input type="checkbox"/> Military               | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music                  |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation   |   |  |  |

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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## 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

## 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: CHRISTOPHER OWENS, PARK HISTORIAN	
ORGANIZATION M-NCPPC	DATE 27 August '74
STREET AND NUMBER: 8787 Georgia Avenue	
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring	STATE Maryland

## 12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

CHAIN OF TITLE

Waring House

P.G. #86B-8

#5916:677  
21 Jun 1984  
Deed Philip C. Watson Sr. to Philip C. and Betty Y. Watson Sr.; 39.42 acres in 4th Election District, part of the Bald Eagle property; all the grantor's undivided  $\frac{1}{2}$  interest; being the  $\frac{1}{4}$  interest grantor acquired by deed recorded immediately prior hereto and also the  $\frac{1}{4}$  interest which grantor acquired by #5784:405.

#5916:674  
4 Jun 1984  
Deed For \$16,500, Hazel G. Watson to Philip C. Watson Sr.; 39.42 acres in 4th Election District, part of the Bald Eagle property; all the grantor's undivided  $\frac{1}{4}$  interest.

#5784:405  
26 Oct 1983  
Deed Philip C. Watson Sr., personal representative of the estate of Ida Aleine Watson, deceased, to Philip C. Watson Sr.; 39.42 acres in 4th Election District;  $\frac{1}{4}$  undivided interest of Ida Aleine Watson which she devised to Philip C. Watson Sr. by her will recorded CMH #14:82; same which Ida A. Watson acquired by the will of Myrtle V. Saunders dated 21 Jul 1956.

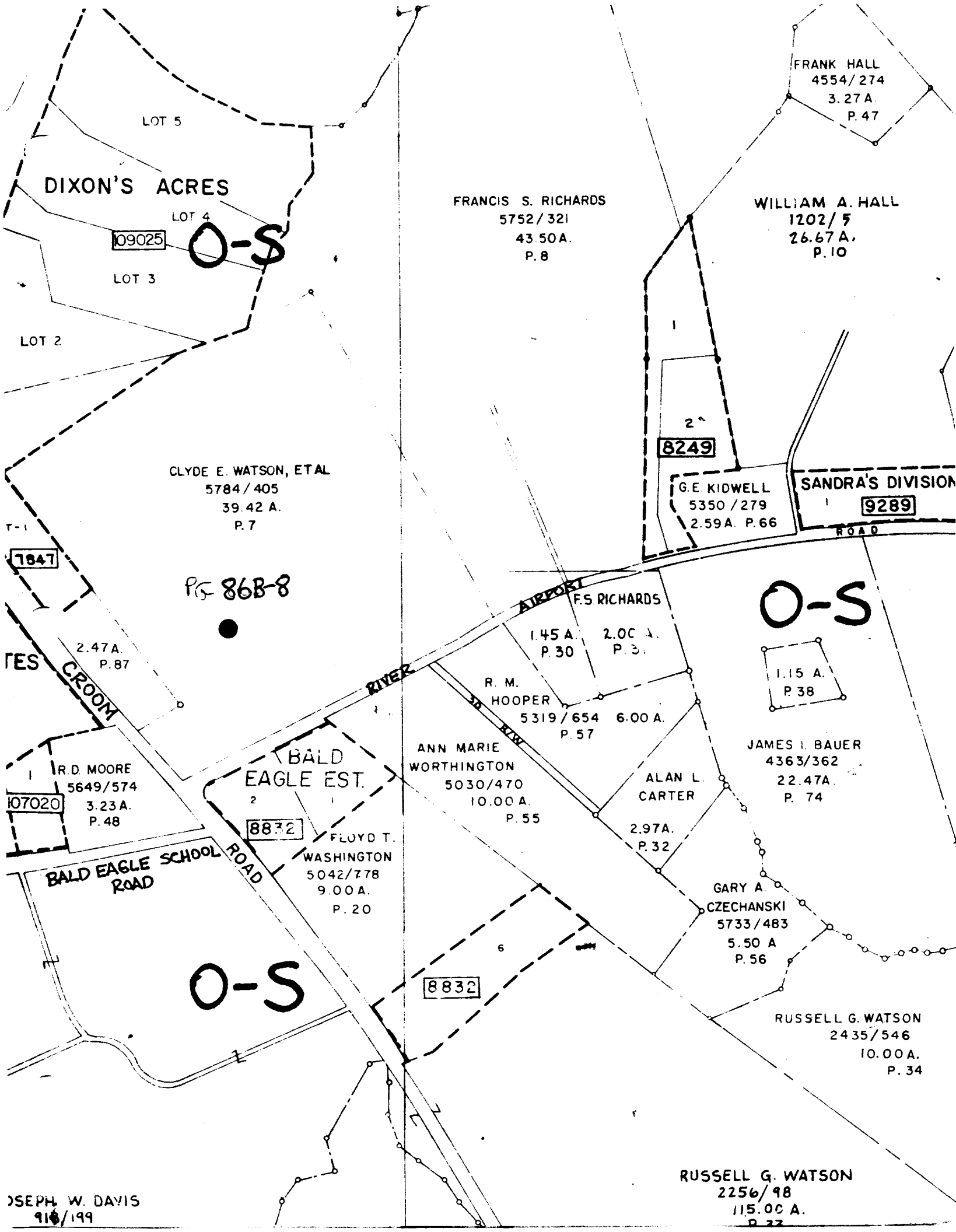
CMH #14:82  
20 Jan 1983  
Will Estate of Ida Aleine Watson who died 9 Jan 1983; deceased devised her entire estate to her nephew, Philip C. Watson Sr.; Administration #30,739 contains a copy of the will of William H. Watson, deceased son of Ida Amelia Watson, drawn up in Venice FL and in which he devised his share of his mother's farm to his wife, Hazel Watson.

Admin.  
#30,969 Estate of Myrtle V. Saunders (formerly Ragin) who died 31 Jan 1965; in copy of the deceased' will, the original of which was filed in Pinellas County FL on 17 Jun 1965, she devised her entire estate to her sister, Ida Aleine Watson.

WDA #1:231  
22 Nov 1955  
Will Estate of Ida Amelia Watson who died 5 Nov 1955; deceased devised to her daughter, Ida Aleine Watson, a life estate in the farm she inherited from her brother, William E. Seger; at the daughter's death the farm was to be divided  $\frac{1}{2}$  interest to son, Clyde E. Watson,  $\frac{1}{4}$  interest to daughter, Myrtle V. Ragin and  $\frac{1}{4}$  interest to son, William Harold Watson.

WTD #1:584  
17 Apr 1928  
Will Estate of William E. Seger who died 15 Mar 1928; deceased devised to his sister, Ida Watson, wife of Willie Watson, about 40 acres, less 5 acres deducted therefrom, called Bald Eagle; same which deceased acquired from Miss Priscilla Waring.

JB #11:558  
4 Aug 1900  
Deed ~~For~~ \$800, Priscilla M. Waring to William E. Seger; <sup>acres</sup> ~~44~~<sup>44 $\frac{1}{2}$</sup>  and one acre called Bald Eagle; part of a tract formerly owned by John H. Waring, deceased, and allotted in the division of said land to Priscilla Waring as Lot #7.



FRANK HALL  
4554/274  
3.27 A.  
P.47

DIXON'S ACRES

109025

O-S

FRANCIS S. RICHARDS  
5752/321  
43.50 A.  
P.8

WILLIAM A. HALL  
1202/5  
26.67 A.  
P.10

CLYDE E. WATSON, ETAL  
5784/405  
39.42 A.  
P.7

8249

G.E. KIDWELL  
5350/279  
2.59 A. P.66

SANDRA'S DIVISION

9289

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O-S

2.47 A.  
P.87

TES CROOM

R.D. MOORE  
5649/574  
3.23 A.  
P.48

BALD EAGLE EST.

8832

FLOYD T. WASHINGTON  
5042/778  
9.00 A.  
P.20

ANN MARIE WORTHINGTON  
5030/470  
10.00 A.  
P.55

R. M. HOOPER  
5319/654  
6.00 A.  
P.57

ALAN L. CARTER

2.97 A.  
P.32

JAMES I. BAUER  
4363/362  
22.47 A.  
P.74

GARY A. CZECHANSKI  
5733/483  
5.50 A.  
P.56

RUSSELL G. WATSON  
2435/546  
10.00 A.  
P.34

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O-S

RUSSELL G. WATSON  
2256/48  
115.00 A.  
P.22

JOSEPH W. DAVIS  
916/199



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Waring House

Prince George's County, MD.

Marina King

May 1985

East elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



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Waring House

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May 1985

South elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.





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May 1985

West elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



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Waring House

Prince George's County, MD.

Marina King

May 1985

North elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



NAME #86B-8 RHYDE HOUSE

LOCATION AIRPORT Rd + Rt 382 CROOM, Md

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